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## **KC MAN INDICTED FOR FEDERAL FIREARM VIOLATION**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City man was indicted today for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

**Chad L. Darty**, 49, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged with one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City this morning.

The federal indictment alleges that on December 11, 2002, **Darty** was in possession of a Mossberg Maverick, pistol grip 12-gauge shotgun and a Raven .25 caliber semi-automatic pistol. Possession of any firearm at that time would have been illegal, Graves explained, due to **Darty's** 1979 criminal felony convictions for robbery in the first degree, armed criminal action, and assault with intent to kill, and his 1990 criminal felony conviction for distribution of cocaine within 1,000 feet of a school.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment is simply an accusation and is not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney David A. Barnes. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

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